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## Mattapoissett Robbery Leads to Arrests

By Paul Lopes

At just after 6:30 pm on Tuesday, the Mattapoissett Police Department received a call from a woman on North Street who reported a robbery involving a man who allegedly brandished a firearm. The party reported the man fled the scene in a black Nissan Altima headed south on North Street, possibly towards Interstate-195. The vehicle is registered to a party with an East Wareham address. Items stolen included a purse, wallet and backpack.

Police departments in the area were notified of the incident and asked to be on the lookout for the vehicle and included a description of the firearm, a black "AK" style firearm.

At 7:15 pm, the New Bedford Police Department observed the vehicle turning onto I-195 headed eastbound toward Fairhaven. The vehicle was stopped on the interstate highway in Fairhaven.

Fairhaven, New Bedford and State Police departments assisted Mattapoissett with the apprehension. Three suspects were arrested and transported to the Mattapoissett Police Department.

## Nelson: ORR Tuning into Community, State, Nation

By Mick Colageo

As Old Rochester Regional Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson applies the finishing touches to plans for the 2020-21 academic year, he realizes the best-laid plans could turn upside down at a moment's notice.

"We're constantly looking at all the data points in our school community," said Nelson, who spoke with *The Wanderer* on Monday morning. "We are constantly unpacking the latest guidance... We understand now that there are many moving pieces, and we have to consider all of them in real-time in order to make the best decisions."

*On the Cover:* Gourds, pumpkins, yellow peppers, and a variety of tomatoes decorate a farm stand on North Street in Mattapoissett on Monday. Harvest season is upon us, as the Tri-Town region is run over with produce from businesses to family farms to backyard gardens. Photo by Ryan Feeney

"Most importantly, the ideology is we know we have to be able to pivot into other learning models."

A basic change in the game plan could be dictated by the governor or the Tri-Town school district itself. Superintendents created fully attending, hybrid, and fully remote learning programs in accordance with a state mandate.

The learning model ORR will open the school year with is the hybrid model that will essentially divide the student body in two to achieve safe social distance in remodeled classrooms and common areas in school buildings. One-half of the student bodies will attend on-campus two days per week, the other students on two other days.

ORR is calling the days of the academic week "hybrid in" and "hybrid out;" when students are "hybrid out" they will be learning via remote access. That won't always mean the computer or the Chromebook, but it will be a more intense curriculum than what students experienced in the spring.

"I don't anticipate that what we saw this past

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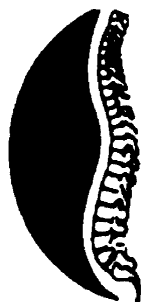
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spring being what we'll be offering this fall," said Nelson, referencing a "more robust" learning model affecting both the "hybrid-in days and hybrid-out days" and "more learning opportunities... to our curriculum."

Widespread concern in communities over remote learning models, mainly questioning both its effectiveness and its effect on families whose parents work, have spawned grassroots efforts to bridge the gap between curriculum and especially younger children.

"I was aware not only locally but (statewide and nationally) there is a grassroots movement for learning pods that are community-driven," said Nelson, who is married with two children, a preschooler, and a rising second-grader. "I understand from the parent perspective how important those years are."

Nelson acknowledged that Tri-Town Learning Community reached out shortly after it was formed, but could not respond at the time as he was immersed in the detail work associated with preparing ORR's three return-to-school models and readying the presentation of his proposed rollout to the school committees.

Part of that process included numerous Zoom meetings with other superintendents from school districts around the state. From those meetings came several reports of other grassroots efforts to help working parents access remote learning content.

"I know it's not unique to the Tri-Town," said Nelson.

While he says there simply hasn't been time to digest the "overall purpose or mission" with a grassroots movement toward home-based learning pods, Nelson said, "I recognize our families and parents and students all have individual needs in our households, but it's imperative that we maintain social-distancing practices so that our... COVID-19 rates are as low as possible."

On August 2, Marion resident Terri Lerman created a Facebook page called Pandemic Learning Pods South Coast (since updated to match the organization's name, Tri-Town Learning Community / Collaborative) to discuss the challenges parents face in a remote-learning model and invite households in the Old Rochester district to participate in a survey. By the morning of August

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10 that number had grown to 419, and the morning of August 11 the survey had 78 respondents.

By September 1, the Facebook page had 581 members, and going into last weekend there were 24 names in TLC's educator resource accessible via a live link on Facebook.

While the need is undeniable based on the initial wave of response alone, the challenge of fundraising and/or sponsorship has been conversely slow to move.

Tri-Town Learning Community was unavailable for comment for this story.

Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School in Rochester is also enacting a hybrid opening of school, albeit with classroom-only students on a fully remote plan while vocational students alternate on a two-weeks-in and two-weeks-out rotation.

Both Old Colony and ORR have truncated the academic year to 170 days, planning to use the 10 days for intensive faculty training before students arrive.

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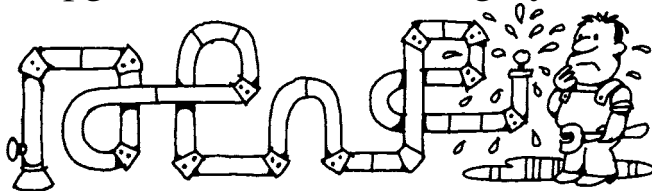
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## Weeds? Nay, Edible Plants!

*Sippican Lands Trust*

**By Marilou Newell**

If you walked a mile in Russ Cohen's shoes, you'd be bent over plucking at all manner of flora, finding there something to eat. Whether scouring the landscapes of urban or suburban sprawl to hiking along woodland trails or seashores, Cohen is going to find a plant that early settlers would have recognized instantly for its edible or medicinal qualities.

In its ever-expanding role as a source for information on the natural world that surrounds us, Sippican Lands Trust hosted a remote-access presentation on August 28, authored by Cohen and titled *Edible Plants and Mushrooms*.

Cohen has spent his professional life learning and educating people on the types of plants that humans can consume directly from nature. Educated at The Ohio State University and Vassar College where he studied law, natural resources, and land planning, today this master of all things growing in Mother Nature's garden spends his time writing books, at speaking engagements, and establishing native plants back where they belong in the ground that surrounds us.

On Friday, Cohen brought his vast knowledge on the subject of edible plants via remote roadshow, that is, Zoom. The Sippican Lands Trust has been successfully utilizing the virtual platform to continue its community engagement, offering unique presentations and informative themes that refresh and enliven our human experience. Hence, Cohen's plateful of plants was delectable.

"Mushroom season begins now through mid-October," Cohen began, remarking that foraging is best from summer through late fall. He said that the SLT holdings, some 1,350 acres of protected properties, gives local folks ample area to begin to identify local edibles. He believes, "If you like being outdoors anyway, foraging adds to that experience... it's like meeting old friends."

Before going through a very long list of plants to potentially find by yourself and, yes, taste as well, Cohen cautioned that poisonous plants "taste awful" and not to

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"override" your body's alarm system – if it tastes bad it's most likely bad for you. Having said that, he also warned that mushrooms do not offer an exit strategy; they won't taste bad, but eat the wrong ones and, "they are deadly without warning."

And so onto some of the plants one can find in the local area. The complete list may be found on any number of websites; the following are highlights to engage the imagination.

Yellow wood sorrel or Sour Grass may be found 80-percent of the time from May through October. It is oftentimes mistaken for clover, but Cohen said its heart-shaped leaves, three to a slender stem, are the clue. He said that these are tasty in moderation when added to a salad, but consuming a giant bowl can make you quite sick due to its high oxalic-acid content.

Pepper Grass or Poor Man's Pepper is part of the mustard family, tasty in sandwiches and salads, while Jewel Weed has a two-fold use – you can eat it or apply it to poison-ivy rashes. Cohen said that applying the plant to affected skin may bring relief from the itch of poison ivy, but that the ripe seeds, which by the way are a glorious shade of Robin's egg blue, are edible, tasting much like walnuts. Expanding on the plant's unique qualities, he said that most of the time "color in nature serves a purpose." However, in the case of pepper grass, "We don't know why it's that amazing color, but it's dramatic when added to a salad."

By the way, most of the green-type plants Cohen discussed were used in the raw state, while berries, which can be rather sour, were suggested in a number of cooked creations.

Raw-food lovers should also try purslane, sweet fern also known as goldenrod, orache also called lamb's quarters, wild rose (all roses are edible, Cohen said), swamp rose mallow, riverside grapes, common hazelnuts, black walnuts, and, yes, even acorns!

Mushrooms were also touched on as Cohen pointed to a slide where a massive layered Sulphur Shelf or chicken mushroom was shown growing directly on the side of trees. Another variety, ominously called Trumpets of Death, were not at all poisonous. "They are



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Cohen talked about Puff Ball mushrooms that appear as they are named like giant white balls, and King Bolete with its baked-bread color and lacey-appearing stock.

Likely the most surprising fungi Cohen discussed was a rather nasty sounding and looking one called Corn Smut, which grows as you would imagine on corn husks. He said that it was once considered a delicacy fit only for kings. "If people found corn smut on their crops, they were required to call in the royal guards."

Moving from the meadows and fields, woodlands, and swamps, Cohen briefly touched on seaweeds. Dulse, with its strong flavor, was suggested for use once dried; Irish Moss when cooked turns green, and Codium, known as Oyster Thief or Deadman's Fingers, is an invasive variety. "So take as much as you want."

Complete information on edible plants, berries, seaweeds, and more can be found in Cohen's YouTube videos and writings, where not only will you learn plant identification but also recipes for turning your foraged foods into something quite delicious. Or you may visit [identifyingthatplant.com](http://identifyingthatplant.com).

## Town Cancels Interest in Church Property

*Rochester Board of Selectmen*

**By Mick Colageo**

In a stunning plot twist, the Rochester Board of Selectmen came out of executive session 14 minutes into its September 1 public meeting and eventually announced that the two-acre parcel of land adjacent to Town Hall, for which it had unsuccessfully offered First Congregational Church of Rochester \$150,000, is no longer of interest.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Paul Ciaburri explained that after walking through the land with Rochester Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon, it is "not in our best interests to purchase the property."

The reason: A vernal pool that borders the property, "not exactly on it – needs to be surveyed – good possibility," according to Ciaburri, "makes this property not a worthwhile buy for us."

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Only two weeks ago the land was considered to be of significant value to Rochester, and in the last Board of Selectmen meeting on August 17 members Brad Morse and Woody Hartley engaged in a heated debate.

As the deal was apparently dead over a \$10,000 negotiating impasse, Hartley expressed outrage, citing what at the time seemed an inexplicable squandering of a rare opportunity to nearly triple Town Hall's footprint with \$160,000 available funds that had been authorized by


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public vote at the June 22 Town Meeting. Morse, who at the time protested that the discussion belonged in executive session, noted that he had received an appraisal at \$125,000 and therefore felt his \$150,000 offer was as generous as the town should be.

First Congregational, which had planned to use the money to fund church-building upgrades, had obtained an appraisal at \$160,000. Before Rochester secured the more recent appraisal at \$125,000, the town in April had received an appraisal for the land between \$155,000 and \$162,000, prompting the selectmen to bring the matter to Town Meeting vote where a purchase for up to \$160,000 was approved.

Town Counsel Blair Bailey was away for the August 17 meeting, but he was present on Tuesday night and advised the board to state on public record the town's appreciation of the opportunity to purchase the land.

Richard Cutler, who represented the church in the prior negotiations, was connected on the Zoom for Tuesday's meeting but did not speak.

In her Town Administrator's Report, Suzanne Szyndlar recently attended a Zoom meeting with Plymouth County CARES Act and was pleased to report an additional Phase 4 funding of \$246,670 so the total for Rochester Phase 4 funding is \$726,694 (including the schools).

Szyndlar suggested the selectmen vote to establish September 16 as the deadline for article submission for the November 16 special Town Meeting. The vote was

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unanimous in favor.

Finally, amidst the COVID-19 pandemic and lacking a backup plan, Szyndlar told the selectmen Rochester needs to appoint a local builder/alternate building inspector. The selectmen voted and signed onto the appointment of James Marot, who has served as building commissioner and inspector for Acushnet, as part-time building commissioner for Rochester.

The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen is a hybrid meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, at 6:00 pm accessible via Zoom.

### Water Main Project Causes Traffic Concerns

*Marion Conservation Commission*

**By Mick Colageo**

The Town of Marion Department of Public Works has filed a Notice of Intent to furnish and install 7,400 linear feet of one-foot diameter ductile iron water main under Point Road and Delano Road from the intersection of those roads to the Great Hill Tank Transmission Main connection on Delano Road.

The matter was discussed during the Marion Conservation Commission's remote access meeting on August 26 at the Music Hall and via Zoom.

Conservation Commission Chairperson Shawn Walsh said that, prior to the August 26 public hearing, ConCom had fielded a number of calls from concerned residents looking for more detail, as digging up roads can

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cause traffic delays if not detours.

Jon Gregory of Tata & Howard, the consulting engineer on hand to present the project, explained that construction is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2021 with a goal of getting all the pipes installed by the 2021-22 winter with a reopening of the ground and finishing the work in 2022.

Progress on such work typically covers 200 to 300 feet per day, according to Gregory. While the project is in progress, affected roads would be filled with a gravel top during the week and topped off by four inches of pavement going into weekends.

ConCom member Cynthia Callow asked what the pavement will look like during the winter before the project is finished. Gregory answered that the same four-inch pavement will be atop the gravel surface in the dig areas. A requirement of the project will include returning to repair any problem areas.

It was noted that an order for repairs at Creek Road is assumed by ConCom to have expired. Gregory, while presenting on behalf of the DPW, could not speak to the Creek Road situation. In keeping with remote access, public hearing policy, the Point/Delano Road case was continued to Wednesday, September 9, at ConCom's next scheduled meeting.

Friends of Wings Cove filed an NOI for the removal of phragmites from eight single-family residences adjacent to Wings Cove at 35, 43, 51, 67, 75, 83,

95, and 99 Holly Road. ConCom would like to learn more from the state Department of Environmental Protection. Because the matter was heard for the first time, it was necessarily continued to Wednesday, September 9, at 7:30 pm.

Likewise, the Island Associates of Marion filed an RDA seeking authorization to remove phragmites from three locations: the Howland property at Point Road, the Island Associates of Marion at Beach Reservation, and the Moore property at Island Court. Jeff Doubrava, who serves on the Conservation Commission, represented Island Associated of Marion and therefore was not to vote on the matter. He explained that the plan is to retreat an area previously treated. After Doubrava's presentation, the hearing was continued to Wednesday, September 9, at 7:50 pm.

In an action item addressed at the meeting, Burr Brothers Boatyard is seeking a Certificate of Compliance for work being done at 309 Front Street.

Walsh told project representative Jeff Oakes that a site visit on the prior Saturday (August 22) indicated that one of the stormwater retention areas (Basin 1) needed some excavation work. "My only concern is it's really not vegetated," he said. Oakes had requested a partial Certificate of Compliance and at the time indicated he would come back to Concom seeking a full COC.

Callow expressed concerns that what is being planted will "take over" and detract from the overall desired outcome. "I have no concern. It will look fine in three months," she told Oakes in the meeting.

Walsh suspects the site will look significantly different in three months so he suggested waiting until the middle of the fall to make that decision. ConCom plans to revisit the site with the intent of issuing the COC if its expectations of recent vegetation efforts are met over the next couple of months.

Several public hearings were held.

A Request for Determination of Applicability was filed by MRF Nominee Trust seeking clearance to replace two already-demolished houses on residential property at 498B Point Road with one new house, the installation of a Title 5-compliant septic system, and driveway modifications. The hearing, continued from August 12, focused on less than 10 percent of the project that falls under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission. No ConCom members or public questions or comments followed and the hearing was closed. Near the end of the meeting, the subject was readdressed and ConCom voted to issue a negative Determination of Applicability, clearing the way for the project's completion.

Ann Severance filed a new Notice of Intent for work at 20 Front Street. The NOI was the result of a necessary amendment to a 2016 Order of Conditions. ConCom conducted a site visit on August 22. Callow called the wetland replication work on the site "excellent." The hearing was continued to Wednesday, September 9 at 7:10 pm.

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An NOI was filed by Tom Webster for a flood-zone project at 34 Oakdale Avenue, where he plans to demolish an existing cottage and build a new, single-family house with utilities, a driveway, and minor grading. The hearing, continued from August 12, received no further public comment and was closed. Toward the conclusion of the meeting, the case was reviewed, amendments made to lines in the NOI, and ConCom voted to issue an Order of Conditions.

Brett Bussiere filed an RDA to secure a license to repair the steps and wall of a deck at 9 Main Street. A site visit on August 22 yielded an understanding of the need to update the site, originally built in the 1700s. Construction of the deck had already been approved. The hearing was continued to Wednesday, September 9, at 7:20 pm.

The ongoing construction case at 120 Front Street, already continued from June 3, 10, and 24, July 8 and 22, and August 12 requested a seventh continuance to Wednesday, September 9, at 7:40 pm. A motion carried.

The next meeting of Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, at 7:00 pm at the Music Hall and via remote access.

## Not All Solar Arrays Are Created Equal

*Rochester Conservation Commission*

**By Matthew Donato**

The Rochester Conservation Commission began

its meeting held on September 1 by addressing a request for determination of applicability on a new solar array project. Their review primarily centered around whether or not the proposed project fell under the commission's jurisdiction.

Eric Las of Beals and Thomas Inc., representing the applicant, shared his screen over Zoom to show the commission his plans for the site located off Braley Hill Road. The site would encompass roughly 40 acres and produce 9.5 megawatts of solar energy.

Las explained that the project has made significant progress. The plans have already been brought before the Rochester Planning Board and received their approval. The request for determination of applicability submitted by Las seemed to be more of a formality to ensure that there would be no conflicts with the commission in the future of the project's development.

After his discussions with Conservation Agent Laurell Farinon, Las revealed that his final version of the proposal included a redesign to keep a completed project outside the 100-foot buffer zone for vegetated wetland areas. His plans showed that the nearest point to any buffer zone in the area is 100 feet.

Commission member Kevin Thompson expressed concerns relating to the surrounding tree foliage and how the overall site plan demonstrated that the clearing would be conducted only in areas near the perimeter fence. Thompson recommended that Las ensure that




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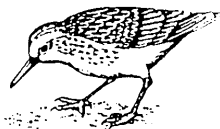
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the surrounding trees farther out would not have any potential fall hazard that could destroy the proposed site. Las provided the commission with a comprehensive vegetation analysis asserting that the surrounding vegetation and the trees will not grow tall enough to pose a significant risk to the array.

Ultimately, the commission found that none of the work proposed by Las fell under their jurisdiction, meaning that they could easily issue a negative determination of applicability. This would allow Las to go forward with his work without a Notice of Intent for the project.

Though she agreed that the project did not fall under commission jurisdiction, Farinon expressed the hope that Las would clearly denote the surrounding buffer zone areas on the site in order to guarantee that there is no accidental negative impact. "This does not fall under jurisdiction, but if we review the site and there is work in the buffer zone, it will come back before the commission," Farinon explained to Las.

The commission voted to issue a negative determination of applicability, allowing Las to move forward with his project, but Las wasn't finished with his business with the commission.

In the second and final public hearing of the commission, Las presented another outline for a project he ultimately hopes will gain commission approval. This time his proposal included numerous potential developments falling under commission authority.

The proposal features a solar array that is set back roughly 350 feet to the East of Snipatuit Road in a heavily wooded area. The array would produce nearly 5 megawatts of solar power and faces significant challenges due to its location.

The proposed area for the site is bordered by protected wetlands areas on both sides. In addition, much of the work will have to be conducted inside of the 100-foot buffer zone with some of the work falling within the border of the 25-foot no-disturb zone of a wetlands resource area.

Las told commission members that much of the difficulty surrounding the site came from the fact that the

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solar array had to be split into two separate sites due to one of the town's bylaws. The particular bylaw requires that there must be a 100-foot separation of construction on two abutting properties. For this reason, Las's plans show a large, seemingly inexplicable gap in the solar array.

Farinon suggested that Las seek a waiver for the bylaw from the town's Zoning Board of Appeals, and she argued that doing so would allow much of the site to be narrowed and moved away from sensitive areas. Las explained that he was told in a public meeting that the chances of being granted such a waiver are highly unlikely so he decided not to pursue that option further.

Commission members also voiced concerns surrounding the access road to the site. Las tried to

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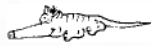
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convince the board that heavy equipment had traversed the existing road that cuts into the forest before for other projects. Still, the commission doubted that no improvements or work would be need to be done for the road to facilitate the heavy machinery required to construct the array.

After the allotted time for Las's presentation had expired, he still had much to discuss with the board and requested a continuance of the public hearing. Las needed more time to update his plans to address the board's concerns and ultimately await the comments provided by the commission's review engineer. The board voted to continue the public hearing until October 20 to allow sufficient time for Las to update his plans and to allow the

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## Tabor Students Back on Campus

*Marion Board of Health*

**By Mick Colageo**

Public Health Nurse Kathleen Downey was so impressed with the job that Tabor Academy did in bringing its students back to campus last weekend, that she wanted to make sure Marion Town Administrator Jay McGrail and Assistant Town Administrator Judy Mooney were there to see it, too.

"I had Judy and Jay come in Monday and look at how a drive-through is done. I was there for four days and I don't think I saw a backup. It went very well," Downey told the Marion Board of Health during its Tuesday afternoon Zoom meeting.

In a drive-through format in which "nobody got out of their cars," Downey summarized the back-to-school process in which Tabor faculty and staff came back on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week and went through COVID-19 screening and training.

Students then poured in through the weekend and into Monday, receiving COVID-19 screening upon arrival and were encouraged to take flu shots. Downey reported 308 flu shots were administered over the four days via the Vaccine for Children program.

"That's double what we did there last year," she said, noting how students were immediately quarantined in their rooms until their COVID-19 test results came back.

Downey reported that one student was questioned and sent home for quarantine.

Tabor moved its health services to what had been the admissions office, where the school can now quarantine a student for 14 days apart from the "healthy sick" (those ailing but not suspected for COVID-19). "This gives them a lot more flexibility because they have different areas (where students can be safely treated)," she said.

Downey, who is working beyond her original



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retirement date to accommodate her replacement Lori Desmarais, is concerned about workspace challenges that will greet the new public health nurse when Desmarais reports for work on Tuesday, September 8.

"It seems as though others will have keys to the nurse's office... because of confidential materials that others shouldn't have access to." Downey said she is concerned. She said the new public health nurse's office is substantially smaller than the old office. "I don't think it's possible for Lori to have another person in there with her."

Downey, who has been working from home and in the community, also noted that "Lori's office does not have a phone yet; emails have not gone through."

She also pointed to ongoing issues with personal protective equipment; Sippican School has KN-version facemasks but not the preferred N95 masks. Downey said that after attending Department of Public Health meetings that some school districts are requiring N95 masks in order to reopen.

Still dealing with a PPE deficit due to a large backorder of materials from the vendor McKesson, Marion is being asked by that vendor to accept substitute items. Downey called them "little things but they're big things... needles for flu clinics."

Downey said all pre-K-12 students are to be vaccinated for flu by December 31. Over the last few years Marion has used 200 doses, but Downey increased the

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Finally, Downey reported having filed a report for the former health district (with Rochester). If the report gets kicked back, Downey said she did her best and "won't do it again."

Desmarais, who participated on the Zoom meeting, said she had met with Fire Chief Brian Jackvony and hopes soon to set up dates for a flu clinic.

In his Health Agent report, Dave Flaherty was happy to report no beach closures this year, having taken his last sample on Monday, the day before the meeting.

He reported that Marion remains in the low-risk category for both EEE and West Nile virus, while Rochester and Wareham are rated high for EEE and

Carver and Middleboro critical. He reminded listeners that Plymouth County Mosquito Control will spray yards and is available at 781-585-5450.

There have been complaints about people not covering their noses with their masks. "I've gone in and reminded them to wear it correctly," said Flaherty, who also reported having worked on the database for denitrification systems that Marion will eventually outsource to Barnstable County.

Board of Health member John Howard wanted to get the word out that Marion is looking for new members to its Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). Flaherty said CERT is in a holding pattern with no training at this time, but Howard said, "I think this should be a focus of the next few months of our board." Board of Health member Dot Brown emphasized that CERT no longer includes the word "medical," opening up the potential for those interested in training.

Flaherty also reported on a letter sent a week ago to 33 Pitcher Street due to a complaint of trash and unregistered vehicles. Howard said the location has "been a problem for quite a while."

Before Chairperson Dr. Ed Hoffer, busy driving home from his practice in Boston, was able to access the Zoom meeting, Brown and Howard voted to accept Hoffer's draft of a job description for a medical advisor who would report to the Board of Health.

"I think it's well written and covers the important responsibilities," said Howard who, like Hoffer, is a physician. The day is expected when the Board of Health will not have a doctor as a voting member.

Hoffer also authored job descriptions for the public health agent and public health nurse, prompting Flaherty to say, "Those are excellent job descriptions." Howard agreed, and he and Brown voted to accept those job descriptions as presented including changes.

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The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health is scheduled for Tuesday, September 15, at 4:00 pm accessible via Zoom.

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## Communication Key as Town Tackles Next Master Plan

*Mattapoisett Planning Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

The drafting of an updated Master Plan has begun in earnest under the guidance of Mattapoisett's Planning Board and the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD). Three two-hour sessions of what were described as Discovery Workshops were remotely held. Attendees were asked to share their thoughts, ideas, hopes, opinions, and long-range growth expectations for Mattapoisett.

It's been 10 years since Mattapoisett's last Master

Plan was crafted, and now, at the dawn of the updating process, some 30 residents have given voice as to what was on their minds. The first two breakout sessions were held on August 26.

Grant King, director of Comprehensive Planning and Housing for SRPEDD, hosted the events, along with several members of his team who helped navigate the meetings on the remote-access platform. King framed the topics that would be explored over the two hours that each meeting was held, assuring those in attendance that SRPEDD's role is merely one of facilitating the work that has to take place at the local level. "Think of us as your assistants," he said.

Major topics that were discussed and will ultimately frame the writing of the updated Master Plan are: Land Use; Economic Development; Housing; Climate Change and Resiliency; Open Space and Recreation; Natural and Cultural Resources; Transportation and Circulation; and Services and Facilities. In a nutshell, the topics asked residents to think about how land is currently being used, how its use might change to meet evolving needs over the course of a decade, and how the people living and working in the community move around the township. Other thoughts relating to types of business growth, the population's diversity or lack thereof, and how municipal services respond to the needs of the town were touched upon.

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of various segments of plan development. By late fall 2020, Land Use, Housing, Economic Development, and Climate Change will have moved from the discovery phases to plan formation. Following this in the spring of 2021, Open Space and Recreation, Natural and Cultural Resources will be the focus. And, last but not least, during the fall of 2021 Transportation and Circulation, as well as Services and Facilities, will draw to a close. He said that the online survey which can be found at mattapoisett.net had 70 completed forms. King encouraged listeners to take the survey and utilize the online mapping tools to communicate their thoughts and ideas directly to his team.

One group of attendees began its discussion on







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the topic of Economic Development. Planning Board member Nathan Ketchel said he would like to see an expansion of businesses in the Industrial Drive complex and along Route 6, possibly small commercial enterprises and office space. Discussion ranged from enlivening the village business district with small independent operations, pop-up markets, and the beautification of Route 6 from Main Street east to Old Marion Road.

The conversation swung to how people currently navigate the heavily traveled Route 6 corridor through the community, the perils that pedestrians and bicycles face when crossing Route 6, and the need for additional and improved sidewalks throughout the community, including North Street, Mattapoisett Neck Road, Brandt Island Road, and Water Street. Several participants commented on motorists' rate of speed and the number of vehicles now traveling along local roadways. The lack of adequate public-transportation opportunities was noted, especially given the growing needs of a confirmed aging population trend.

Housing, not just market-value properties, was addressed with the majority of those attending all three sessions agreeing there needs to be more flexibility. King said that presently Mattapoisett is behind in serving a public that might need affordable housing with only two-percent meeting that threshold while the state prefers cities and towns to offer at least 10-percent in this category. An affordable home, King noted, is

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pegged at \$250,000 whereas the average selling price in Mattapoisett is \$420,000. "There's a big gap between sale price and affordable costs." Ketchel stated. "It takes two professional incomes to afford a home in Mattapoisett."

King said that a main driver for different types of land use for housing is a zoning bylaw that could allow a developer to spread the market rate costs across more units. He said Master Plans do change things. "Your last plan called for less density along the Mattapoisett River Valley." That resulted in zoning changes that increased the size of residential lots.

Don Fleming spoke, beginning with a rhetorical question, "What is the purpose of the Master Plan?" He went on to say, "Growth is the essential agreement we have to come to... we have to look at multiple housing types."

Ketchel also commented that "Mattapoisett could benefit from a local wetlands bylaw," as he said that nitrogen runoff is the biggest problem for wetland systems, a result of aging septic systems and manicured lawns. He said such local bylaws could increase the protection of wetland buffer zones.

About midway through the sessions, King emphasized, "We need local champions behind this project, this is going to be handed over to you." He asked all to engage others in the process that is going to take up to two years to complete. "This is just the beginning."

Participants identified themselves as longtime

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residents who left but are now returning, summer residents who are now making Mattapoisett their year-round home, summer residents with vested interests in the process, and others who have lived in the community for a number of years. In one room, speakers commented that their interest in participating is to have a cohesive plan moving forward or aging-in-place opportunities for seniors.

Improved communication between town officials and the community came out of the last session held on August 29. Participants said the town hall needs to do a better job communicating with the residents, pointing to Mattapoisett's website and content, the potential use of the town library to distribute information, and a town

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report that should provide more meaningful information.

The town's coastline and harbor were identified as clearly one of its major assets, along with cultural events such as Harbor Days sponsored by the Lions Club.

There is a link on the town's website where access to recorded sessions from August 26 are posted as well as multiple layers of data from SRPEDD including links to maps, population data and the survey. Visit [mattapoisett.net](http://mattapoisett.net).

## Harbormaster Proposes Department Changes

*Mattapoisett Marine Advisory Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

On August 27, Mattapoisett Harbormaster Jamie McIntosh proposed a number of changes to the Harbormaster's department, including but not limited to an examination of waterway fees with an eye toward increases.

McIntosh explained in his written proposal a necessity to offset the 21-percent increase in salaries now in place with a full-time harbormaster and more seasonal staff members. Of the seasonal staff, he wrote, "During COVID-19 restrictions and sanitation measures has forced the department to have an expanded role during the daytime hours to meet the demands of cleaning and disinfecting bathrooms, gangways, docks, and department vessels." He went on to say that, "The popularity of the expanded staff has been a positive

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feature for the department, but we feel it has developed into an expectation for the coming seasons." He also stated that an increase to fees, "will afford the same expectation of service and expanded hours," without the funding that the department received from the CARES Act reimbursement program.

Continuing on the theme of staffing, McIntosh proposed that a part-time, clerical-staff position should be developed with the responsibilities of, "streamlining the waitlist, permits, and stickers directly out of the Harbormaster's office... one-stop shopping which would eliminate communication issues between multiple departments and permit holders." While McIntosh said that the town clerk's office did a fine job this change

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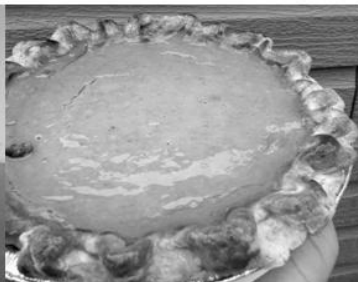
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McIntosh acknowledged that the current Harbormaster office would need to be renovated with heat for year-round use until a more appropriate location or building is secured.

Regarding a recent discussion at the Board of Selectmen meeting on August 25, McIntosh said he was on-board with moving the Shellfish Warden duties to his department, adding that this additional responsibility further warranted a new Harbormaster's office in the future.

Waterside safety was also discussed, as McIntosh said he wanted to add more navigational aids to better define the harbor's channel and recreational area. Some new markers have been placed with encouraging results, he said, but said more are needed, specifically announcing "Special Anchorage/Recreational Area." Further, he said swim markers are needed at Aucoot Beach to restrict vessels and jet ski activities to 300 feet from the shoreline. Rounding out areas of concern, Brandt Cove needs "Slow No Wake" and "Rock" markers as well.

McIntosh said he would prepare a suggested new fee structure for the next meeting. Chairman Carlos DaSousa said the board was not prepared to discuss fees on this night, but would take his proposal under consideration for further discussion. DaSousa said, "The advisory board has been in favor of a clerical-staff person for some time," and agreed that streamlining the permit process should take place.

The board and harbormaster also discussed changes to the mooring inspection rules and regulations. McIntosh said he had been in discussion with TRIAD Boatyard and had negotiated a flat fee of \$300 for two moorings or \$150 for one mooring, a fee that would be paid over three years and would include the inspection of mooring equipment and the replacement of same as needed – an all-inclusive fee. DaSousa responded that



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some boat owners have been doing their own inspections for years. McIntosh countered that certification is required to perform the mooring inspections. The issue was tabled until the next meeting of the Mattapoisett Marine Advisory Board, scheduled for Thursday, September 24, at 7:00 pm.

## Old Colony Pushes Fall Sports

### Deep into Winter

*Sports Roundup*

**By Nick Friar**

In a time when there is still so much unknown, Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School Director of Athletics Matt Trahan has made a decision about the school's 2020 fall sports season. The Cougars will push fall sports back to the MIAA's Fall II season, which will take place between the winter and spring seasons toward the end of February.

Trahan informed Old Colony student-athletes and parents with an email on Friday, explaining that between the modified rules, limited attendance for spectators — if fans are allowed at athletic events — and the potential of sports being shut down, playing fall-season sports on their tradition schedule is too great a risk. It was a decision that Trahan came to with Old Colony's administrative staff.

"For us, being a vocational school, we can't get all the kids back in the building. How do you run a sports program full throttle?" Trahan said. "I think my superintendent (Aaron Polansky) probably said it best: You can't get two students underneath a vehicle working on a transmission. How are we going to play soccer when you see those modifications? At this point, it doesn't even resemble soccer."

Among the state-mandated modifications to soccer, Trahan was alluding to no heading the ball, no body contact, no slide tackling, and no throw-ins.

"I think our kids deserve more," Old Colony's athletic director said. "My plan is to give them everything I can in Fall II, and hopefully things will be cleared up and some of those modifications will disappear."

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state, most of the decision-making power has been placed in the hands of individual school districts. That can be beneficial from an educational standpoint, but it does present variables for athletic directors if some schools elect to participate in the regular 2020 fall sports season while others take the same route as Old Colony.

The athletic directors of member schools in the Mayflower Athletic Conference, which includes Old Colony, have been in communication with one another leading up to the 2020-21 academic year. However, that does not guarantee each school will push fall sports back to February like Old Colony. Westport High School, for example, is still hoping to stick to the regular fall season.

"The Mayflower Athletic Conference athletic directors are currently collaborating to formulate a comprehensive plan for the transition from our typical fall season to the floating season as permitted by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the MIAA," Trahan included in his announcement about fall sports. "Interscholastic sports seasons will look different in communities throughout the state. Our efforts have been focused on creating consistency within the Mayflower Athletic Conference and among vocational schools of similar size."

The decision from Trahan and Old Colony's administration makes for a continuation of what has been a strange 2020 for everyone. But the odd nature of the sports calendar is not a huge matter when the athletic director's primary concern is the well-being of his student-athletes.

"I think we're going to be better served in Fall II," Trahan said. "I always kind of go back to the health and well-being of our kids. You have got to be able to provide them with a quality experience. I wouldn't call what we're going through right now a quality experience."

"At the end of the day, you've got to be able to look at yourself in the mirror and say, 'Hey, you're doing it for the right reasons.' We're all trying to take care of kids at this point. Just opening up school, there are huge hurdles to jump through."

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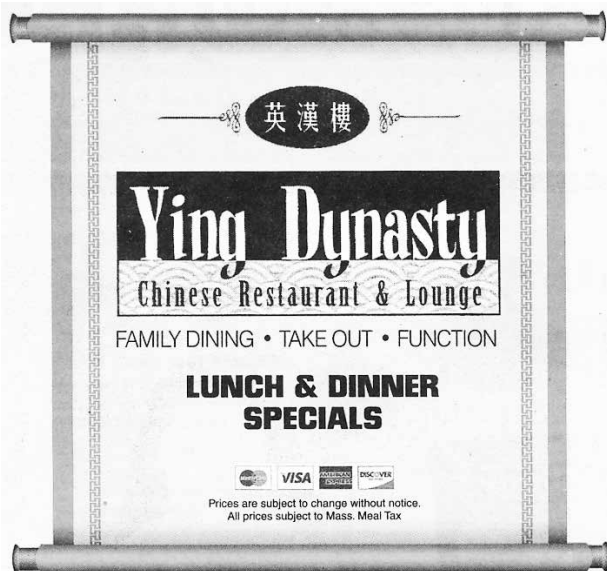
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12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
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1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
2:00 PM The Collective Chat  
2:30 PM Let's Talk Business  
3:00 PM A Conversation With...  
3:30 PM Reel Smatht  
4:00 PM The Chundria Show  
4:30 PM Off the Shelf  
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update  
5:45 PM ORCTV Year in Review  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Arts Alive  
7:00 PM Gay USA  
8:00 PM Mind Your Business  
8:30 PM Money Matters TV  
9:00 PM Registers Report  
9:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
10:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show  
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday September 6, 2020

6:00 AM Veterans Voice  
7:45 AM Schwitz'n with Norm  
8:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church  
8:30 AM Both Sides of the Bar  
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester  
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion  
11:00 AM Health Talk  
11:30 AM The Art of Being Human  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM New England Cooks  
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
2:30 PM The Chundria Show  
3:00 PM Lucy's World of Painting  
3:30 PM Cape Conversations  
4:00 PM A Conversation With...  
4:30 PM Rob Surette SunnySpeak Interview  
5:00 PM Books and the World  
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update  
6:02 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Off the Shelf  
7:00 PM Mr. Scammer  
8:00 PM Perils for Pedestrians  
8:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk  
9:30 PM Ghost Chronicles  
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show

11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Monday September 7, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM On the Move  
8:30 AM Seniors on the Move  
9:00 AM Mattapoissett COA Yoga with Tracy Clarke  
10:07 AM Learning Music with Pat  
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
11:00 AM Health Talk  
11:30 AM The Art of Being Human  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM New England Cooks  
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
2:00 PM Lucy's World of Painting  
2:30 PM The Chundria Show  
3:00 PM Cape Conversations  
3:30 PM Reel Smatht  
4:00 PM Registers Report  
4:33 PM Let's Talk Business  
5:00 PM Mind Your Business  
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update  
6:02 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Perils for Pedestrians  
7:00 PM Arts Alive  
7:30 PM Stop My Crisis  
8:00 PM Off the Shelf  
8:30 PM Gay USA  
9:30 PM The Cinemaniacs!  
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show  
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday September 8, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM On the Move  
8:30 AM Seniors on the Move  
9:00 AM Generation Conversation  
9:44 AM Schwitz'n with Norm  
10:00 AM Recovery Fitness  
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
11:00 AM Health Talk  
11:30 AM Cape Conversation  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM New England Cooks  
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
2:00 PM The Collective Chat  
2:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
3:00 PM Learning Music with Pat  
3:30 PM Hollywood Movie Maker  
4:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV  
4:30 PM Mr. Scammer  
5:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update  
6:02 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Money Matters TV  
7:00 PM The World Fusion Show  
7:30 PM Books and the World  
8:00 PM Science 360  
9:00 PM Stop My Crisis  
9:30 PM Gay USA  
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show  
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday September 9, 2020

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM The Art of Tai Chi  
8:30 AM The Art of Being Human  
9:00 AM Mattapoissett COA Yoga with Tracy Clarke  
10:07 AM Health Source  
10:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
11:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church  
11:30 AM Recovery Recreation TV  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM New England Cooks  
1:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
3:00 PM Mr. Scammer  
4:00 PM Books and the World  
4:30 PM Arts Alive  
5:00 PM The Chundria Show  
5:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update  
6:02 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Registers Report  
7:01 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk  
8:00 PM Science 360  
8:30 PM Gay USA  
9:30 PM Suicide Prevention in Massachusetts  
10:30 PM The David Pakman Show  
11:30 PM Democracy Now!

## MARION GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 39

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission - August 26, 2020  
8:30 AM Marion Board of Selectman - August 11, 2020  
10:07 AM Marion Conservation Commission - August 12, 2020  
12:00 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals - August 13, 2020  
12:31 PM ORR Joint School Committee - August 12, 2020  
1:34 PM Marion Planning Board - August 17, 2020  
2:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission - August 26, 2020  
4:00 PM Marion Board of Selectman - August 11, 2020  
5:37 PM Marion Conservation Commission - August 12, 2020  
7:30 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals - August 13, 2020  
8:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee - August 12, 2020  
9:03 PM Marion Planning Board - August 17, 2020  
10:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission - August 26, 2020  
11:30 PM Marion Board of Selectman - August 11, 2020

## ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 40

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission - August 18, 2020

9:34 AM Rochester Board of Selectman - August 17, 2020  
10:00 AM Rochester Planning Board - August 25, 2020  
10:39 AM Rochester School Committee - August 6, 2020  
12:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee - August 12, 2020  
1:03 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - August 13, 2020  
1:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - August 18, 2020  
4:04 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - August 17, 2020  
4:30 PM Rochester Planning Board - August 25, 2020  
5:10 PM Rochester School Committee - August 6, 2020  
6:30 PM ORR Joint School Committee - August 12, 2020  
7:33 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - August 13, 2020  
8:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - August 18, 2020  
10:34 PM Rochester Board of Selectman - August 17, 2020  
11:00 PM Rochester Planning Board - August 25, 2020  
11:40 PM Rochester School Committee - August 6, 2020

## EDUCATION CHANNEL

### Comcast Channel 97

### Verizon Channel 37

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly  
7:40 AM Rochester Middle School Graduation 2020  
8:30 AM Marion Natural History Museum - Native Plants Presentation  
9:00 AM Generation Conversation  
9:44 AM Sippican Lands Trust - Osprey Marsh Boardwalk  
10:00 AM Tri-County Quartet at the Pines - August 17, 2020  
11:05 AM ORRHS Graduation 2020  
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
12:40 PM Sippican School 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony  
1:30 PM Old Colony Graduation 2020  
2:03 PM Sippican Historical Society - Untermyer Garden  
3:30 PM Old Hammondtown School Graduation 2020  
4:30 PM ORRHS Music Department 2020 Tribute  
5:12 PM ORRHS 2020 Varsity Sports Honors  
5:30 PM Old Colony Excellence in Effort 2019-2020  
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
6:40 PM Sippican Lands Trust - Osprey Marsh Boardwalk  
7:00 PM Tri-County Quartet at the Pines - August 17, 2020  
8:05 PM Sippican Historical Society - Untermyer Garden  
9:30 PM ORRHS Graduation 2020  
10:30 PM Old Colony Graduation 2020  
11:03 PM ORRHS Music Department 2020 Tribute

## MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 38

## SHERMAN'S LAGOON

by J.P. Toomey



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Boston, Massachusetts campus.

**Sarah Sirois** is a native of Mattapoisett, and is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Health Psychology. Sarah will graduate in 2023 from the Boston, Massachusetts campus.

The Dean's List recognizes those students with a full-time course load who have achieved outstanding scholarship with a 3.5 GPA or higher for the academic term.

The **Maggie Farrell** of Rochester and **Grace Jackson** of Marion have been selected for inclusion on the Dean's List for academic achievement during the Spring 2020 semester at St. Lawrence University. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least four courses and have an academic average of 3.6 based on a 4.0 scale for the semester.

### Coastline Elderly Nutrition Program

Monday, **September 7:** Labor Day – no meals served

Tuesday, **September 8:** Beef Picadillo, white/brown rice, California blend, Scali bread, fresh apple

Wednesday, **September 9:** Roast pork with rosemary gravy, red bliss potatoes, winter squash, oatmeal roll, pineapple

Thursday, **September 10:** Swedish meatballs, egg noodles, Malibu blend, whole wheat roll, brownie with cherries, diet: graham wafers

Friday, **September 11:** Turkey a la king, mashed potatoes, Brussels sprouts, honey wheat bread, applesauce

### Fishing Poles Donated to Library of Things

The Mattapoisett Library now has eight fishing poles available for check out. Included are both saltwater and freshwater equipment, in great shape, thanks to patron and lifelong fisherman David Kaplan. He donated new poles to the library, some particularly suitable for children to use. Mr. Kaplan generously prepared a handout, which includes information about where to fish in Mattapoisett and in nearby waters, who needs a fishing license, and more. A link is included to help assure a successful outing with children.

This donation is an addition to the growing



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# OBITUARIES



**Rosamond Doran Gruner**, a long-time resident of Buzzards Bay, died peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, August 29, 2020. She was 94. She was the widow of Jack David Gruner and the daughter of John T. Doran and Lydia C. Doran, predeceased by her two brothers, Dean Doran and Steven Peter Doran, all previously from Mattapoisett.

She died at The Plaza Health and Rehabilitation Health Center in Gainesville, Florida, where she had lived since October, 2019.

Survivors include her daughter, Dr. Susan V. Gruner and son-in-law Michael P. Turco of Gainesville. Other survivors include nieces and nephews Toya Doran Gabeler, John Howland Doran, Juliet Doran Rollins, Thomas Doran and her cat, Howland, who is comfortably living in Gainesville with Susan and Michael.

She was born in Providence on October 14, 1925 and raised in Hingham. The family summered in Mattapoisett until her father built a house on Cannon Street. The family permanently moved to Mattapoisett in 1947. She attended Boston University and earned her Master's Degree in Library Science from Syracuse University. During the early 1950s, there was a worldwide shortage of librarians and she was recruited before graduation to work at a hospital in the Bronx in New York.

After taking a European vacation with her parents, she applied and got the job as head librarian at the U.S. Air Force Base Eagle Club Library in Wiesbaden, Germany. It was there that she met her future husband. Shortly after their daughter, Susan Victoria, was born in 1956, they returned to the states and settled in Mattapoisett, living right next door to her parents and two brothers.

She was employed as the head librarian at Otis Air Force base on Cape Cod, but left to become the librarian at Bourne High School until she retired.

A voracious reader, she could not go a week without eating a proper lobster roll, and was an avid collector of antiques. She owns the largest collection of Sandwich glass in the waffle pattern and acquired one of the largest Mattapoisett postcard collections. Many of her postcards were featured in the book *Picture Postcard Memories of Mattapoisett*, Massachusetts. She was also a hard-core Red Sox fan, and correctly predicted that the Sox would no longer be a dominant team after her favorite player, David "Big Papi" Ortiz, retired.

A private service will be held at a future date in Massachusetts. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that any donations be made to The Humane Society & Shelter South Coast of Dartmouth, 31 Ventura Dr., North Dartmouth, MA, 02747.

**James Matthew Brogan**, of Fort Lauderdale, FL. and Upper Makefield, Pa., died Saturday, August 8, 2020 of complication from the Coronavirus at Holy Cross Hospital, Fort

Lauderdale, FL.

We feel thankful a family member was with him, holding his hand as he passed; Jimmy was not alone and felt our love as he left this world for the next.

Jimmy was born in Philadelphia, PA on September 21, 1946, to the late Mary Graham Brogan and to the late Dr. John J. Brogan, M.D.

Jimmy is survived by his brother Buck Brogan and his wife Brenda, Kevin Brogan and his family, his sister Mary Anne Brogan and her husband Richard Bono, and his beloved "adopted children", Kyle Bono, Courtney Bono, Colin Bono and Casey Bono, as well as his sister, Midge Brogan and her husband, Dixon Brown and his beloved nephew, Graham Brogan-Brown. He is survived by his late brother Thomas Brogan's family.

Jimmy also left behind many friends from travels around the globe.

Jimmy loved life and enjoyed it to the fullest. He traveled the world, from Antarctica to the Arctic, and in-between, still wanting to explore the sights unseen.

He lived life with no regrets.

Jimmy had many interests. As well as traveling, he especially loved his dogs, Toby, Holly and Tango. He had a passion for skiing, trains, boats, cars, (to name a few), and enjoyed socializing with family and friends.

James recently retired from BroMedicon, Inc., an Intra-operative Neurophysiological Monitoring Service company which he founded in the early 90's, to improve patient safety during various surgical procedures. His was the first IOM company in the U.S. to attain the Joint Commission Accreditation and consequently set standards for all other IOM companies to follow.

Because of the seriousness of the Covid19 pandemic, our wish is for his family and friends to stay safe and chose to forgo a formal funeral at this point. A virtual "Irish Wake" will be planned at a future date. In lieu flowers, we are asking for donations of any pictures one may have of James and email to UncleJimmy921@gmail.com with/ or in addition to any short stories about him as we plan to print up copies as a memorial to his life and give them out to friends and family.

James was left in the care of the Baird-Case Jordan-Fannin Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Share condolences via the online guest book at [we-care@baird-casefh.com](mailto:we-care@baird-casefh.com).



**Brenda Joan (Worden) Lynch**, 73, of Rochester, passed away peacefully Saturday, August 29, 2020 at Tobey Hospital, after enduring a long battle with metastatic breast cancer.

Born and raised in Edgartown, MA, she was the daughter of the late Frederick Hudson Worden and Dorothy

collection of items currently available to patrons within the Mattapoisett Library's Library of Things. There are items to suit every interest. For those looking to stay busy outside, there are baseballs and mitts (child and adult sizes available), the bocce set, croquet set, metal detector, and Moby science backpacks. For those trying to avoid the heat, there is the instant pot, sewing machine, podcasting kit, meditation kit, and so much more. Visit our website, [mattapoisettlibrary.org](http://mattapoisettlibrary.org) to see a complete list or call the library, 508-758-4171, with any questions.

## Osprey Rescue

The Osprey who was impaled by fishing hooks and left dangling from a power line has been released. Several weeks ago, an adult Osprey was found dangling from a power line in Mattapoisett. He was 20 feet up and had one end of a fishing lure through his foot and the other end lodged deep into his left pectoral muscle. The entanglement caused him to become stuck upside down on the line and he was left struggling to free himself. After a significant rescue effort, he was brought to our hospital for treatment.

# OBITUARIES

(Stuhler) Worden. Brenda was a 1965 graduate of the Martha's Vineyard High School. She was the beloved wife of the late Robert Leo Lynch, Sr. whom she shared over 45 wonderful years of marriage in Rochester, MA where they made their home.

She was a proud and private woman, a creative and talented homemaker, calligrapher, crafter, teacher of all things home and garden, and a great lover of nature and animals. After raising her children, she enjoyed employment and new friendships for 21 years at Talbots Distribution Center.

She is survived by her brother, James Worden and his wife Margaret of Greenfield; 2 sisters, Cheryl Pinkham of Vineyard Haven and Paula Stone and her husband Kenneth of Hartford, AL; a son, Richard Combra, Jr. and his wife Jennifer of Oak Bluffs; 2 daughters, Abby Sage and her husband Christopher of Braintree and Sara Keville and her husband David of Braintree; a step-son, Robert Lynch, Jr. and his wife Pamela of Swansea; her beloved grandchildren, Sophie, Richie, Annie, Troy, Emma, Liam, Brendan, Kiera, Niamh, Cian, and the soon to be born Robert, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Brenda was also predeceased by her sister, Dorothy Ellen Krikorian of Conroe, TX.

Visiting hours are from 3 to 6 pm on Friday, September 4, 2020 at Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 56 Edgartown Vineyard Haven Rd, Oak Bluffs.

Her graveside service will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at Old Westside Cemetery, Edgartown.

To share a memory or leave a message of condolence, visit: [www.ccgfuneralhome.com](http://www.ccgfuneralhome.com).



**Anne E. (Curry) Porter**, 78, of Marion, formerly of New Bedford and Dartmouth, passed away peacefully at home on Monday August 31, 2020 surrounded by her family. She was the wife of the late Richard A. Porter, Jr.

Born in New Bedford, the daughter of the late Paul R. and Mary V. (Matthews) Curry, she lived in New Bedford for most of her life. She had resided in Dartmouth from 2014-2019, before moving to Marion with her daughter

and family in 2019. She had summered for many years in Point Connett in Mattapoisett.

She was a graduate of Holy Family High School, St. Vincent's Hospital School of Nursing, and received her Bachelor's Degree from Salve Regina University.

A Registered Nurse for 50 years, Anne worked as a nurse manager at St. Luke's Hospital for many years until her retirement.

She was a proud rower in the area, having been a member of the rowing team "Sea Biscuits." While in her late sixties, she once rowed to Cuttyhunk Island in a whaling boat with her team. She enjoyed traveling, going out to eat, and attending the theater. She was a member of the St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary. She loved her grandchildren "to the moon and back!!"

Her family would like to extend special thanks to Southcoast Cancer Center and Southcoast Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Team.

She is survived by three children, Richard A. Porter, III and his spouse George P. Bolger of New Bedford, Kristin M. Arruda and her spouse Victor of Fairhaven, and Meghan C. Robitaille and her spouse Matthew of Marion; three sisters, Barbara W. Costello of Melrose, Mary Ellen Hautanen of West Yarmouth, and Paula M. Clarke of Quincy; four grandchildren, Elizabeth Ann and Alexander Arruda, and Ellen and Noah Robitaille; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was the sister of the late Margaret F. Curry.

Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday September 5, 2020 at 10 am at St. Lawrence Church. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery. Visiting hours will be on Friday September 4, 2020 from 4-8 pm at the Saunders-Dwyer Home for Funerals, 495 Park St., New Bedford. Remembrances may be made to the Anne Porter Memorial Scholarship and sent to St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary, c/o Jennifer Szabo, 101 Page St., New Bedford, MA 02740. For directions and guest-book, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

*If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at [office@wanderer.com](mailto:office@wanderer.com).*



# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



*Brandt Beach Sunrise. Photo courtesy Mary Worden*



*Nancy Prefontaine saw this display while kayaking on the east side of Angelica in Mattapoisett*



*Council on Aging Knitters meet at Ned's Point to knit at 11:00 am on Mondays. (rain dates are Wednesdays at 11:00 am). All knitters are welcome to join us. Photo courtesy Marie Rottler*

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Once in care, the Osprey received emergency surgery to remove the hooks and close the large wounds they left behind. He was initially in critical condition, but after two long weeks of cage rest, antibiotics, pain medications, assisted feedings, and wound management his condition began to improve. Shortly after, he was deemed strong enough to move to the



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Jack LeBrun of Mattapoisett worked tirelessly as Tabor Academy's 2020 Head of School and received the Lyndon Paul Lorusso Award, the ultimate prize for community and unwavering goodwill. Quoted from his award, "His endless optimism and willingness to extend himself to others in meaningful ways has truly been something that has helped bring our community together and make it stronger." As Tabor did not hold graduation, the Class of 2020 is looking forward to celebrating in person next year. Jack will be attending Lehigh University this fall.



Photo by Jen Shepely



Susan Pizzolato, retiring librarian from the Mattapoisett Public Library, is honored at a small gathering hosted by the Mattapoisett Library Trust. Her tenure has seen remarkable growth in programs targeting diverse ages, interests, and audiences, as well as the distinction of helping make Mattapoisett into the town with the highest percentage of library cardholders in the system. Photos courtesy Mattapoisett Library



**These photos and more are available online at [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com)**







# MOVIE REVIEW

## Reunion Tour

By Rob Gonsalves  
[www.robsmovievault.com](http://www.robsmovievault.com)

***Bill & Ted Face the Music*. Starring Keanu Reeves and Alex Winter. Directed by Dean Parisot. Running time: 91 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13. Now available via streaming and in limited theatrical release.**

Before watching *Bill & Ted Face the Music*, I was assured I didn't have to rewatch *Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure* (1989) and *Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey* (1991) — it's true, you don't — which was good, because I didn't especially feel like rewatching them. (I last saw them both in '91.) Having now seen the third installment, I do feel like going back and revisiting the younger Bill (Alex Winter) and Ted (Keanu Reeves). *B&TFTM* has the effect of making us look fondly anew on these two doofus besties, who grew up to be pretty decent men — not perfect, not successful, but *decent*. The new movie is as good-natured as the prior two — maybe even moreso, because Bill and Ted no longer do that “we're alive, let's hug” bit and then back off each other saying “Fag.” They've grown into men who just hug.

In the intervening 25 years since *Bogus Journey* (which unfolded in 1995, so we're told), the titular duo's band Wyld Stallyns has plummeted off the charts and into wedding-party oblivion. They still dig making music, though, and they're alive to the spirit of experimentation — at that wedding party, Ted breaks out a theremin and Bill commences Tuvan throat singing. The wonder of this is that Bill and Ted never come across as pathetic, not even in other timelines when they're pretending to be rich, famous musicians or when they're muscleheaded convicts. The pair's happy acceptance of life remains a pure constant across the decades. But the movie, it turns out, isn't really even about them.

Bill and Ted have married the medieval princesses they met in *Excellent Adventure*, and each union has produced a daughter named after each father's BFF. So Ted's daughter (Brigitte Lundy-Paine, who precisely nails the ol' Ted vibe) is named Billie; Bill's blonde, easily amazed daughter (Samara Weaving) goes by Thea. Bill and Ted are tasked to save reality, which has become temporally shambolic, by writing a song that will unite the world. As Bill and Ted bounce back and forth in time, trying to steal the song from various future Bills



and Teds, Billie and Thea go off on their own trying to piece together an epic band to deliver the song — Louis Armstrong, Jimi Hendrix, Mozart, Ling Lun, and a percussionist cavewoman named Grom (played by Patty Anne Miller, who has drummed for Beyoncé). Ultimately, the music that must be faced here is that Bill and Ted have to complete the process of being good husbands, fathers, and stewards of music that rocks. They have to step aside and live for others. They're not the band, they play back-up now. This is a bittersweet message for Generation X, who now pass the baton (did we ever really have it?) to millennials and zoomers. The young and hungry and energetic can take over.

Not that Keanu and Alex lack energy here. Keanu can still activate that carefree beam, but as Owen Gleiberman noted, he has a more somber resting face now — he actually always had it, going back to *River's Edge* and *Permanent Record*. But the face he wears now is hard-earned; it has the dents and scrapes of experience and loss. He seems to be having fun here, and believe me, I'm the last person to begrudge Keanu a fun time. Neither he nor Alex Winter seem to be doing this for any reason other than hanging out, goofing around, rocking some tunes. (In that respect, Jay and Silent Bob filled the void Bill and Ted left.) *Bill & Ted Face the Music* is sweetly nostalgic, yet never looks back on its own past. Growth and progression seem to be the goals, which partly means raising daughters to be weird and quirky, and to be excellent to each other. There's a blessed sanity to the warmth and kindness of Bill and Ted and pretty much everyone else in the film — even Death (William Sadler again), who just wants to lay down sick bass lines. I wouldn't say, as some have, that *Bill & Ted Face the Music* is “the movie we need right now.” But I sympathize with those who do. There isn't a whisper of meanness anywhere in it. Its soul is safe and soft.

Architectural History from the University of VA. In addition to teaching seminars for Historic District Commissions and working as an independent consultant with local historic preservation, she has worked as a field officer for the Council for British Archaeology, for the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. She also served as a member of the Guilford, CT Historic District Commission for six years.

Her lecture will discuss the ways in which buildings, interior plans, and furnishings work together with documentary evidence to shed light on significant moments and periods in social history, specifically on housing for women in NYC at the turn of the century.

To receive the Zoom link for this presentation, please email the Sippican Historical Society at [info@sippicanhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@sippicanhistoricalsociety.org). The presentation is free, but donations to offset speaker fees may be made on our website under the About - Presentations tab ([www.sippicanhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.sippicanhistoricalsociety.org)). We hope to see you there.

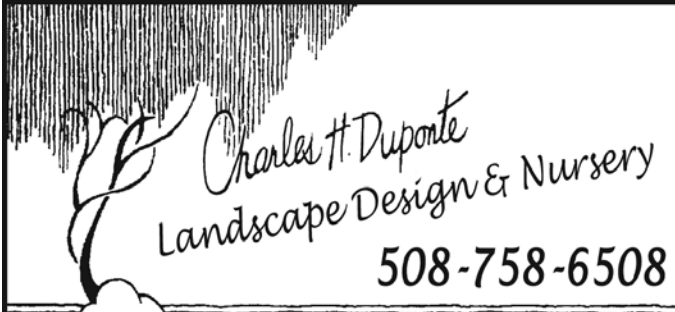
### St. Philip's Episcopal Church

St. Philip's Episcopal Church, next to the Town Beach in Mattapoisett, will have 8:00 am services on **September 6** with the Rev. Robert Malm, Interim Rector, St. Gabriel's Church, Marion, MA. Masks are required and all other safety precautions will be in place at the church. We appreciate all the parishioners who joined us this summer. We look forward to our 137th year next summer. All are welcome!

### Old Rochester Youth Baseball

Old Rochester Youth Baseball is excited to announce, we have opened registration for 2020 Fall Baseball! Please head to our website, [oldrochesteryouthbaseball.org](http://oldrochesteryouthbaseball.org), click on the Registration Tab, and then on the link/arrow for Fall Ball Registration. Deadline to register your player is September 5th, 2020.

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## ACROSS

- 1 Like Pisa's famed tower  
8 On the mark  
16 Dangle  
20 Adequate for the job  
21 1974 Billy Joel hit  
22 Pastiche  
23 Phone alert sound whose waves travel best through element #7?  
25 Refuse to  
26 Expert  
27 Submission encl.  
28 Disney sci-fi film of 1982  
29 Ukulele's kin  
30 Exams  
33 Skyscraping  
36 Instrument whose pipes are filled with element #18?  
39 Opening bits  
41 Classic Fords, briefly  
43 Peddle  
44 Mistake while trying to mine element #55?  
46 Bargain on the export of element #82?  
50 What some cuts do  
51 Make cherished  
53 City on the Alabama  
54 With 32-Down, nobody  
57 Home of the philosopher Zeno  
59 Oven knob  
61 Swiss peaks  
62 — Gay  
64 Sideshow barkers peddling element #33?  
69 Munich loc.  
70 I-75, e.g.  
73 Heavy winds  
74 Binary base  
75 Expert  
76 Cigar holder made from element #45?  
80 It may follow "Long time"  
82 Chaplin of "Game of Thrones"  
83 Sort of sword  
84 Zero  
87 Not as much  
88 — Grain cereal bars  
90 Harangue  
94 Peyotes, e.g.

## DOWN

- 1 Really absurd  
2 Not gendered, as a noun  
3 Vouches for  
4 "... — a lender be"  
5 Bit of NYSE news  
6 Pesters a lot  
7 Wonderful  
8 IRS filing mo.  
9 Nero's 102  
10 Is unable  
11 Not marked, as an exam  
12 Turbine parts  
13 In a crowd of  
14 Earthy shade  
15 Austin-to-Atlanta dir.  
16 1991-2003 Vermont governor  
17 See 42-Down  
18 Masked warrior in black  
19 Boarded  
24 "How clever!"  
29 Links  
31 Like clans  
32 See 54-Across  
34 16-oz. units  
35 Pet pests  
37 Be hammy  
38 Pro-learning org.  
40 "Hook" pirate  
42 With 17-Down, scam  
45 Actor Gibson  
46 Secular  
47 Orbital curve  
48 Current units  
49 Rodeo ropes  
52 Vitascope inventor  
54 Cocktail of gin, vermouth and Campari  
55 Sixty minutes  
56 Ontario's capital  
58 Person quarreling  
60 Enactment  
63 Meyers of "Think Big"  
65 Raimi of film  
66 Yale alum  
67 Actor Sparks  
68 Politico Paul  
71 Voting day, often: Abbr.  
72 More devoid  
77 "Heck yeah!"  
78 Prince, e.g.  
79 500 vehicles  
81 Literary Twist  
85 Women's patriotic gp.  
86 Org. for free speech  
89 Using a pen  
91 Flabbergasts  
92 Jorge's "day"  
93 Some annexes  
95 Part of a fork  
97 Obsolete  
99 Bigwig  
100 One fleeing a flood, maybe  
101 Adjusts the pitch of again  
102 Noisy sleepers  
104 Cry after "Psst!"  
106 Fissures  
107 Call off, as a mission  
108 "What — mean?"  
109 Rand McNally reference  
111 Jorge's "new"  
115 Goes kaput  
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121 Canon camera line  
122 Suffix with strict  
123 Orig. copies  
124 State of fury  
125 K-O center

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# SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) This could be the time to try soothing whatever bad feelings might be lingering 'twixt and among colleagues, friends or family members. But be sure you do so without favoring any side.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) An idea is only an idea until you put that clever Bovine mind to work to develop it from concept to substance. This could lead to something rewarding, both emotionally and monetarily.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) The early part of the week could have some disconcerting moments, but approaching them with a calm, unruffled attitude goes a long way toward helping to get things nicely settled down.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Getting used to change continues to mark much of the week.

But accepting what you have to do makes adapting that much easier. A welcome visitor could turn up sooner than expected.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Learning how to live with a decision is a challenge, but one you Leos and Leonas could really enjoy. You'll also be pleased to see your social life take that upsurge you've been hoping for.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Use your perceptive Virgo instinct to help you see the positive aspects of what, at first, appears to be a disappointment. You could find that it proves to be quite the contrary.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Your ability to maintain a balance between sense and sentiment once again helps you sort through apparently conflicting choices and ultimately arrive at the right decision.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Before you seek the advice of colleagues about a potential career move, you might be better off getting counsel from someone who won't be affected by the choices you make.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) It can be a challenging week for some relationships if the normal give-and-take flow changes with one side doing most of the giving and the other the taking.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A new opportunity could bring with it much anticipation along with some anxiety. Take time to sort out your options as well as your emotional considerations.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Are you sure you have all the facts you need to let that matter move to another level? Don't be rushed into a decision unless and until you feel it's the right thing to do.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Pace yourself as you prepare to take on that more demanding project. Be careful not to let your energy reserves drain away. Take time to relax with people close to you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have the ability to see both sides of a situation. You would do well as a counselor or a judge.

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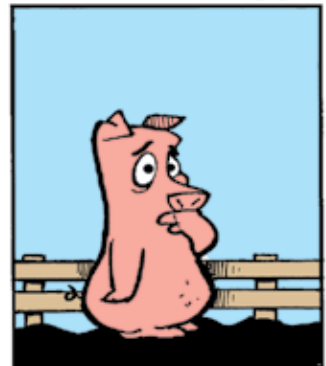
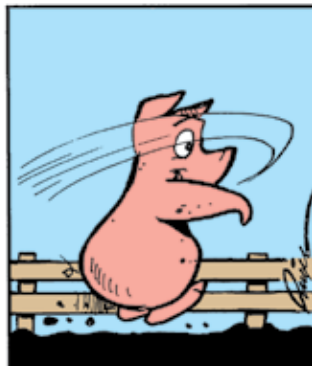


Tundra  
by Chad Carpenter



## Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps





### A Kid's Historical Bike Tour of Marion

Summering in Marion with her grandparents, seven-year-old Greta Agnew of Pennsylvania spent much time riding bikes around the village. Curious about the history of this little town, she read through her grandmother's books and found old photos online. She learned all about historic buildings, local architecture, and Marion's "fairy godmother," Elizabeth Taber. Knowing kids (and their parents!) are looking for activities that allow for social distancing, she thought a bike tour focused on her findings would be fun to create. The tour begins at Main and Front and loops around town. Print out a guide or use the website for a guided tour. See more at: [kidsbikemarion.wixsite.com/mysite](http://kidsbikemarion.wixsite.com/mysite)

### Sippican Historical Society

Marion (Old Rochester) is one of the oldest towns in the United States, and the Sippican Historical Society maintains an extensive collection of documentation on its historic buildings. In 1998, the Sippican Historical Society commissioned an architectural survey of Marion's historic homes and buildings. Over 100 were cataloged and photographed. SHS will feature one building a week so that the residents of Marion can understand more about its unique historical architecture.



This week we feature 46 Water Street. The house at 46 Water Street evolved from an early 19th-century dwelling owned by the salt industry entrepreneur Ebenezer Holmes (1783-1869). In 1870, this home was inherited by one of

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August 24, 2020

W. Kelley. The property was purchased in 1892 as a summer home by Henry R. Reed of Boston. Reed added a large Shingle-style addition to the front, and, to the rear, a barn-stable that was designed by the Boston architect James Kelley. This house was a summer residence of President Grover Cleveland and his wife, Frances Folsom Cleveland. The president especially enjoyed fishing in Buzzards Bay. They both became so enamored of the town that they named one of their daughters Marion.

## From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

With schools getting a great deal of attention in today's news, it seemed like a good time to look back at some of Rochester's education history. Not too many years after the incorporation of the town in 1686, Rochester had established a town center that encompassed the same area as it does today. As early as 1704, the selectmen's thoughts turned to the education of the town's children and money (two shillings a week plus dyet (sic), washing and lodging) was put forward if a suitable teacher could be found. Over the years the salary rose to 10, then 20 and even 30 pounds with one schoolmaster receiving the use of a horse. The selectmen determined that only those who were "qualified as the law directs" should be hired.

The first teachers were itinerant and taught a term in each of Rochester's four or five sections with no official school building. According to Abraham Holmes, in his memoirs, the schoolmasters were generally "tolerable" readers and had clear handwriting. They also knew the basic rules of arithmetic, so the curriculum was truly;



"reading, writing and 'rithmetic."

In 1789, Massachusetts passed a law letting towns divide into school districts, and in 1799, Rochester adopted the district format. This led to Rochester having an abundance of one room schoolhouses. The district system was abolished in 1869 and over the decades the small schools were consolidated into larger ones.

By the mid-1800s, the town center contained the First Congregational Church, the Academy, the Center School, and the Town House. The Center School was built before 1854 and was the District 1 school. All of the district's younger students were taught there, while older children who chose to continue their education attended the Academy. The Rochester Academy was founded

in 1836 by several influential residents; Rev. Jonathan Bigelow, George Bonney, Dr. Theophilus King, and Joseph Haskell.

The founding and the 1838 building of the Academy brought Rochester education to a new high. The description of the Rochester Academy in its 1854-1855 catalog locates it "in Rochester, Mass, 3 miles from the Marion Station, of the Fairhaven Branch Rail Road, and 10 miles from New Bedford, with which there is a daily stage communication". It goes on to say, "Rochester is a quiet village, justly noted for its interest in the cause of education, as well as the generous cordiality of its inhabitants. It has no means of dissipation. The student here meets with hearty welcome, and aristocracy has no undue influence; circumstances which should influence those selecting a literary retreat for their sons and daughters".

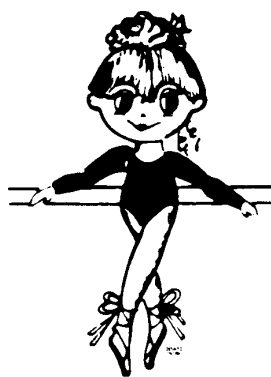
The Academy curriculum included Latin, Greek, French, a thorough knowledge of English branches Algebra, Geometry, Geography, and Science. There was also a weekly requirement for compositions and declamations. As Mary Hall Leonard wrote the Academy showed Rochester to be a town, "whose people involved themselves in a good degree of high thinking, read books, and kept itself informed of the literary trends of the time".

After the Academy closed the building was used as a chapel and a hall for the social needs of the town. Later the upper floors were used for overflow students

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<p><b>TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday September 21, 2020, at 7:05 pm remotely via Zoom* to consider the request of Daniel Gibbs Sr., to grant a Special Permit under Sections 230-7 and 230- 4.2 K of the Marion Zoning Bylaws to allow a Contractor's yard use in a Limited Industrial zone.</p> <p>The property is located at 459 Mill Street and is further identified on Marion Assessor's map as Map 24, Lot 21 in Limited Industrial zone.</p> <p>William W. Saltonstall, Chairman Andrew M. Daniel, Vice-Chairman</p> <p>* If you are a resident attending the public hearing, we request you to identify your name and address for the record.</p> <p>Time: Sep 21, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83949660086?pwd=Qn-VlBlIeBGNuclNiSWtCZ0dvNGtndz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83949660086?pwd=Qn-VlBlIeBGNuclNiSWtCZ0dvNGtndz09</a> Meeting ID: 839 4966 0086 Passcode: 864096 One tap mobile +16465588656,,83949660086#,,,,,0#,,864096# US 9/3, 9/10</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (Via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Kevin LeBlanc of 34 Brant Beach Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to construct a 31'7" by 24' addition on the north side of the house. The project is located at 34 Brant Beach Avenue, and is further identified as Lot 175 on Assessor Map 14A.</p> <p>**Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at <a href="mailto:ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net">ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net</a> for the Zoom Meeting Information. 9/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm.</p> <p>***NOTE*** REMOTE MEETING ON 09/17/2020 WILL START AT 6:00 pm***</p> <p>Case #1453: Application of: Brenda &amp; Rocco Franciose Jr., 2 Rocky Hill Road, Natick, MA 01760; RE: 1 Harbor Road, HB. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under sections 3.1.2.1 &amp; 3.1.2.2 as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to demolish the existing home and reconstruct a FEMA compliant single-family dwelling. The property is further described as Plot 4, Lots 76 &amp; 77, on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held VIA Zoom on Thursday, September 17, 2020.</p> <p>Due to restrictions on public gatherings because of COVID-19, this meeting will be held</p>	<p>remotely, and members of the public will NOT be allowed to physically attend. To access the meeting please use the following log in information. ZOOM MEETING ID#----962 488 6870 PASSCODE-----752053 Dial by your location +1 646 876 9923 US (New York)</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.</p> <p>Sincerely, Susan Akin, Chairperson Mary Anne Brogan, Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Anthony Tranfaglia 9/3, 9/10</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 8:00 pm at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*), on a Request for Determination of Applicability (File # 41D-1765) submitted by Eric P. Winer, to enlarge an existing guest house and connect to rear of the garage at 18 West Avenue.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 5 on Marion Assessors' Map 3. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Shaun Walsh, Chair</p> <p>To request the Zoom link please contact Donna Hemphill at 508-748-3515 or <a href="mailto:dhemphill@marion-ma.gov">dhemphill@marion-ma.gov</a>. 9/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 8:10 pm at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*), on a Notice of Intent (File No. SE 041-xxxx) submitted by Kittansett Club, for the expansion of existing overflow parking area currently located on the southern portion of the Kittansett Club property at 11 Point Road.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lots 8B &amp; 32 on Marion Assessors' Map 1. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Shaun P. Walsh – Chair</p> <p>To request the Zoom link please contact Donna Hemphill at 508-748-3515 or <a href="mailto:dhemphill@marionma.gov">dhemphill@marionma.gov</a>. 9/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Request for an Amended Order of Conditions for DEP File No. SE 44-1114 submitted by Monarch Trust.</p> <p>This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Applicant requests that the Conservation Commission approve a Revised Site Plan that depicts changes to the house and driveway footprints.</p> <p>The proposed work will be performed within the 100 ft. Buffer Zone of a Bordering Veg-</p>	<p>etated Wetland and within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (El. 17).</p> <p>The project is located at Pine Street and is further identified as Lot #50 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #6.</p> <p>Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at <a href="mailto:ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net">ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net</a> for the Zoom Meeting Information. 9/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>An Open Hearing of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will be held on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 6:30 pm regarding a Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by Jay S. Duker &amp; Julie M. Starr-Duker.</p> <p>This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Applicants propose to construct an addition to the single family dwelling which will also require a relocation of the septic tank, pump chamber and associated pipes.</p> <p>The work will occur within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage.</p> <p>The project is located at 112 Aucoot Road which is further identified as Lot #62 on Mattapoisett Assessors Map #3.</p> <p>Contact Elizabeth Leidhold, Agent of the Conservation Commission by email at <a href="mailto:ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net">ELeidhold@mattapoisett.net</a> for the Zoom Meeting Information. 9/3</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) Feasibility Study for Architectural Design &amp; Construction Services for the Department of Public Works Operations Center</b></p> <p>In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7C, Sec. 44-57, the Town of Marion, by and through the Office of the Town Administrator/Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking to retain design services for the preparation of a feasibility study for the design and construction of a new Operations Center for the Department of Public Works as more fully described in the RFQ. The successful applicant must have current licensure and registration by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in all applicable disciplines.</p> <p>The RFQ will be available beginning Wednesday, September 9, 2020 in the Office of the Board of Selectmen, Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738, 508-748-3520 and on the Town of Marion website. Proposals are to be sealed and clearly marked "RFQ – Designer Services for Feasibility Study for Department of Public Works Operations Center". Responses to RFQ are due no later than 3:00 pm, October 8, 2020 in the Board of Selectmen's Office, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738. The Marion Board of Selectmen is the awarding authority. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to only award a contract if it is in the best interest of the public to do so.</p> <p>The Town of Marion is an EEO/MBE/WBE employer James P. McGrail Town Administrator/Chief Procurement Officer 9/3</p>

from the Center School. Today, it belongs to the church that it sits beside.

### Marion Art Center

*Fall Classes at the MAC* - Registration is now open at the Marion Art Center for fall courses for both children and adults. Instructor Jay Ryan will teach a four-week Intersession course, All-Levels Watercolor Painting for adults. This course for beginning through advanced watercolor painters will run from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on Thursday mornings in September (**September 3, 10, 17, and 24**). Students will paint outside on the MAC lawn, weather permitting, or class will be held in the MAC studio with adequate spacing for social distancing. Cost: \$95 for MAC members, \$110 for non-members. Masks are required while inside the Marion Art Center. A two hour eight-week beginner course will start on Thursday, October 1, and a new three-hour intermediate-advanced course will start Friday, October 2. Please visit [marionartcenter.org/adult-classes](http://marionartcenter.org/adult-classes) for rates and details, or to register.

Instructor Catherine Carter will lead a five-week course, Botanical Drawing for Adults, on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, from **September 8** through **October 6**. In this class for beginners or intermediates, students will use colored pencils to explore the complex shapes and intricate surfaces of botanical subject matter, with a focus on value, color, and composition. The cost is \$145 for MAC members and \$165 for non-members, including the \$10 materials fee (to cover the cost of fresh arrangements weekly). Students must wear a mask while inside the building. Number of students will be limited to allow adequate physical space in compliance with Massachusetts safety guidelines. For more information or to register online, visit [marionartcenter.org/adult-classes](http://marionartcenter.org/adult-classes)

Children's Art Lab owner Benares Angeley will teach Art in the Afternoon on Fridays from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Session 1 (four classes) will run **September 11, 18, 25, and October 2**. Cost: \$80 for MAC members, \$95 for non-members. Description: Ocean Art Lab: students will explore the ocean world through an artistic lens! We'll work with clay, paper, paint, and more to create an enchanted coral reef, a "small world" ocean, and lots more hands-on art experiences!

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### Tri-Town and Beyond Community Reads Check-in Event

On Thursday, August 27, a dozen members of the Tri-Town and Beyond Community Read group met for a live Zoom discussion to share their thoughts and questions about the books they have been reading, *How to be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi and *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi. They were joined by approximately 120 viewers on ORCTV's Facebook page.

The Community Read group is at the halfway point in the readings and met to discuss some of the difficult issues expressed in the books. Frances Kearns

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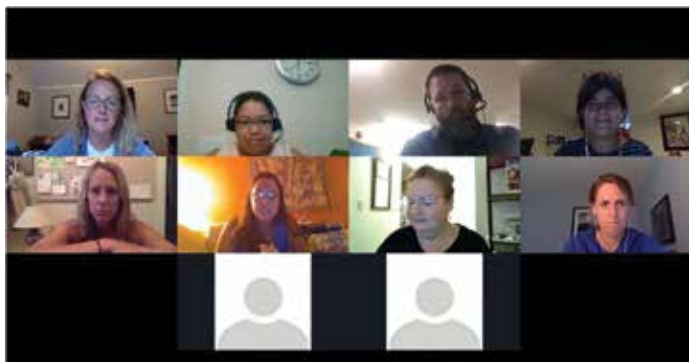


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started the discussion by reading an excerpt from the book, *How to Be an Antiracist* relating to biology and the racist idea of generalizing one's biology with their race. Kearns spoke about the importance of not generalizing people based on their race which led to a discussion about power dynamics people face throughout their day.

Stacie Charbonneau Hess talked about the book *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* related to how history is taught and how history is re-thought. Discussion participants commented on their experiences



on subjects such as history and biology in school related to slavery, the creation of racial hierarchy, and the experimentation on women of color to advance science was lacking. Members of the discussion noted that they can support schools to decolonize the curriculum so that students are exposed to perspectives and voices of groups that have been historically marginalized.

Other discussion topics included what it means to be nonracist versus antiracist, how policies can be racist, learning to recognize what has been accepted as normal as needing to be changed, how words and symbols of racism have been embedded in culture and accepted without understanding or knowing their meanings, and many other topics.

Action items were discussed on how people can be antiracist and work toward a more equitable society. One such step includes supporting housing policies that create affordable housing in communities such as Mattapoisett that is considering closing an elementary school due to a shrinking population of children. Jordan Pouliot Latham pointed out that such a school closure

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contradicts the argument that affordable housing puts a drain on community's schools. "Our towns could be in crisis if we do not have more children in our communities," she noted.

Educators and local leaders in the Tri-Town and beyond kicked off a "Community Read" focused on social justice on August 1. The goal of The Read is to collaboratively learn about the ways that racism plays out in society at large, as well as in the towns where we live. In addition, the hope is that through listening and learning from People of Color about lived experiences of racism, all of us will take steps to create a more equitable society—so that people of all races will be able to fulfill their potential—for the benefit of society as a whole.

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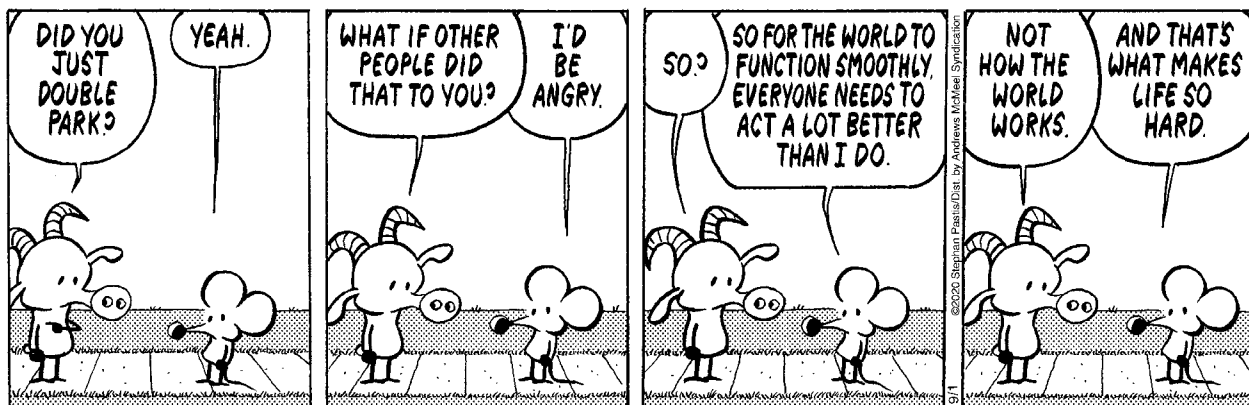
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A recording of the discussion can be viewed on ORCTV at [vimeo.com/orctvcommunity](http://vimeo.com/orctvcommunity).

Everyone is welcome to join the Community Reads and participate on the group's Facebook page: Tritown and Beyond Community Read: [www.facebook.com/groups/1020238101744627](http://www.facebook.com/groups/1020238101744627)

To obtain copies of the books, *How to be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi and *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi search the SAILS library network catalog at <http://www.sailsinc.org/> or contact your local library.

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John Patrick McInnis	September 3
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Margaret A. Moreno	September 5
Jake Mourao	September 6
James Sylvia	September 6
Piper Tobia	September 6
Shawntae Gilbert	September 6
Brett Rudolph	September 7
Donnell Gilbert	September 7
Geneva Gerrior	September 7
Olivia Mello	September 7
Robert Zora	September 7
Betty Hill	September 8
Caitlin Reusch	September 8
Gary Brackins	September 8
Kaitlyn Noel Dawicki	September 8
Ryan Connor Hall	September 8
Beth Rudnicki	September 9
Donnetta Perkins	September 9
Laurie Plante	September 9
Sissy Halter	September 9
Tucker Roy	September 9

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com). To submit information by regular mail, please send the person's name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.



activities held at the Senior Center will be asked to sign a COA Waiver of Liability Agreement. Waivers are available at the front desk and will be kept on file. You do not have to fill out a waiver each time you visit.

The Rochester Senior Center will be closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 7.

The Rochester Affordable Housing Committee will meet at the Senior Center on Monday, **September 14** at 5:00 pm. This group meets to discuss the feasibility of building and providing affordable senior housing to Rochester residents.

The Friends of the Rochester Senior Center are planning a craft sale sometime in the fall. Details will be provided at a later date.

While many local food programs are ceasing this fall, the food distribution programs at the Rochester Senior Center continue. Please contact the Senior Center if you would like to participate. The Senior Center also has emergency food cards available for people with special dietary needs.

The Rochester Senior Center would like to thank all of the local farmers, private and commercial, who have donated fresh produce to the food distribution program. The number of people being served has increased significantly in the last month. We expect more participants in the fall as other local programs will be ending with the re-opening of schools. If you have extra produce from your garden, and are looking to share it, please call the Rochester Senior Center.

### Rochester Lions Club Dinners To Go

The Rochester Lions Club is offering Dinner to Go through **November 12**. Meals are available in single or family-sized servings and are hot and ready to serve upon pickup. Meals can be picked up in the parking lot of the Rochester Library, 17 Constitution Way between 4:30 to 6:00 pm on the dates indicated below. Orders must be pre-paid and placed before the deadline. Please call or email the following with any questions and/or to place your order: Lorraine Guy 508-728-7767; Cyd Ryle 508-207-3971, lioncyd@comcast.net; Cheryl Costeira 774-263-5706, lioncheryl62@gmail.com

Individual meals are \$12 and family-sized meals are \$40 (feeds four)

**September 10** – Meatloaf and gravy served with baked potato and green beans; Order deadline is September 4.

**September 22** – BBQ Chicken dinner (1/2 chicken each) served two sides (individual) or four sides (family) Available sides: Potato salad, macaroni salad, baked beans, garden salad; Order deadline is September 16.

**October 8** – Stuffed peppers, garden salad, and garlic bread; Order deadline is October 2.

**October 20** – Chicken Pot Pie, mashed potatoes with gravy and cranberry sauce; order deadline is October 14.

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### SLT Hosting Grab 'n Go Oyster 'n More Fest

Sippican Lands Trust (SLT) is hosting a "Grab 'n Go Oyster 'n More Fest" as its annual fundraiser on Saturday, **September 19** from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the Benjamin D. Cushing Center, 465 Mill Street, Marion.

Tickets are now available for purchase at [www.sippicanlandstrust.org](http://www.sippicanlandstrust.org) with this year's event featuring local oysters and shrimp from Snug Harbor Fish Company and Bryant Brothers Shellfish Company, lobster rolls, hamburgers, and hot dogs from Oxford Creamery, clam chowder from Harriet's Catering, and cookies from Flour Girls. SLT is also launching an online auction as part of this year's Grab 'n Go Oyster 'n More Fest to support the work of the Sippican Lands Trust. SLT's online auction features some amazing items including homemade baked goods, a personal guided walk of an SLT property, and a personal tour of the Stone Estate at Great Hill in Marion.

Ticket prices are \$50 (food package for one person) and \$100 (food package for two people). Tickets for this year's Grab 'n Go Oyster 'n More Fest can be purchased online at [www.sippicanlandstrust.org](http://www.sippicanlandstrust.org). Tickets must be purchased in advance by Wednesday, September 16 at noon to reserve your Grab 'n Go Oyster 'n More Fest food package. The event will be held rain or shine.

  
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For more information, purchase tickets, or visit our online auction go to [www.sippicanlandstrust.org](http://www.sippicanlandstrust.org) or call Sippican Lands Trust at 508-748-3080.

Hope to see you at this year's Grab 'n Go Oyster 'n More Fest on Saturday, September 19 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center in Marion!

### Forest Bathing with the MNHM

Does anyone else need to relieve some stress? On Saturday **September 26** you are invited to explore the many benefits of "bathing" in the forest. Inspired by the Japanese practice of Shinrin Yoku, Forest Bathing has been scientifically proven to boost immune strength, reduce stress, and improve cognitive functioning. But beyond these physiological changes, Forest Bathing also offers us the opportunity to deepen our relationship with the natural world. By slowing down and carefully observing with all our senses, we may begin to notice incredible things that may have eluded us for our whole lives. In escaping the rapid pace of our daily routines, we may find unparalleled beauty in the moment and in doing so, relax into the beauty all around us.

On our walk, a certified guide will offer a series of guided invitations to assist you in finding your own authentic way of interacting with the land. There's no right or wrong way to do it; just come and be yourself. It's all welcome in the forest.

The walk will still be on if it's raining unless it is a genuine storm or very windy. If it is raining it's important to be properly prepared, so please dress appropriately. Rain often enhances sensory experience and makes for some of our most memorable walks.

Please note that space in this program is limited to ten adults, and pre-registration is required. We will be

observing all social distancing regulations and managing group size for the safety of all our guests attending this program.

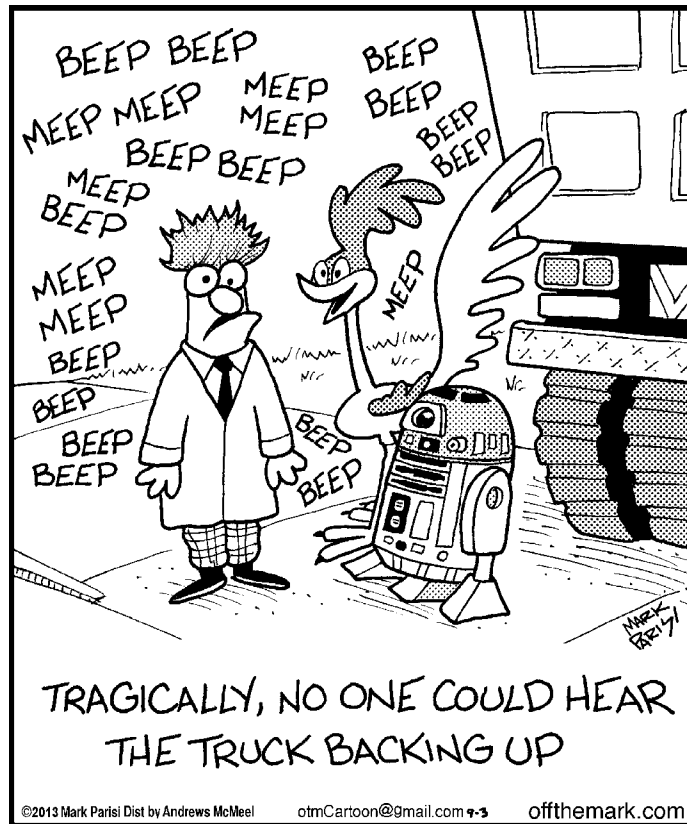
Our Guide, Nadine Mazzola, is an award-winning author and Certified Forest Therapy Guide. Nadine's training includes special knowledge in guiding people of all ages in Shinrin-Yoku, "Forest Bathing", walks and the demonstrating the benefits of spending time in the nature as a wellness practice and an effective way to manage stress.

To register for this program please contact the Museum Director at [Director@marionmuseum.org](mailto:Director@marionmuseum.org). Partial funding for this program was provided courtesy of the Marion Cultural Council. The program is Saturday, September 26 from 9:00 am to noon, and the cost is \$30 per participant.

### Photo Contest

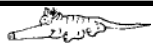
Time is running out to enter the Photo Contest sponsored by The Rochester Land Trust/Rochester Historical Society. **September 7** is the deadline for entries. Anyone and/or any town can enter, but the photo must be taken in Rochester. Contest rules: The subject must be sites and scenery in Rochester; no people in photo; both black and white or color are acceptable; Age categories are: Youth = 16 and under/ Adult = 17 and up; One entry per person; give location of photo, your name, address, phone number, age category; any photo not following the rules will be disqualified. Email entry to [rochesterphotocontest@gmail.com](mailto:rochesterphotocontest@gmail.com). Board members of the Historical Society and Land Trust will be judging and monetary prizes will be awarded to top three photos. Winners will be announced on the Rochester Historical Society and Rochester Land Trust Facebook pages.

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Bowler, Thomas Jr Bowler, Ellen P	Arthur, Brian A Arthur, Richard I Est	17 Moorings Rd	Marion	08/18/2020	3,625,000.00



## Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	September 3	9:32	9:50	2:54	3:07
Friday	September 4	10:10	10:27	3:26	3:47
Saturday	September 5	10:46	11:03	3:58	4:26
Sunday	September 6	11:22	11:41	4:31	5:04
Monday	September 7		12:00	5:05	5:44
Tuesday	September 8	12:22	12:39	5:41	6:28
Wednesday	September 9	1:07	1:23	6:23	7:26
Thursday	September 10	1:55	2:11	7:14	8:51
Friday	September 11	2:47	3:06	8:18	10:18
Saturday	September 12	3:45	4:09	9:29	11:13
Sunday	September 13	4:49	5:16	10:37	11:57
Monday	September 14	5:50	6:15	11:36	
Tuesday	September 15	6:44	7:07	12:36	12:28
Wednesday	September 16	7:34	7:56	1:16	1:20
Thursday	September 17	8:23	8:44	1:57	2:12
Friday	September 18	9:11	9:33	2:39	3:05
Saturday	September 19	10:01	10:23	3:21	3:56
Sunday	September 20	10:52	11:16	4:04	4:47
Phases of the Moon		Last Quarter New Moon First Quarter Full Moon		September 10th September 17th September 24th October 1st	



## I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com) and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

In the August 27, 2020 edition the Aardvark was on page 60!

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD SOLUTION



## SCRAMBLERS

### solution

1. Record
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3. Yield;
4. Pseudo

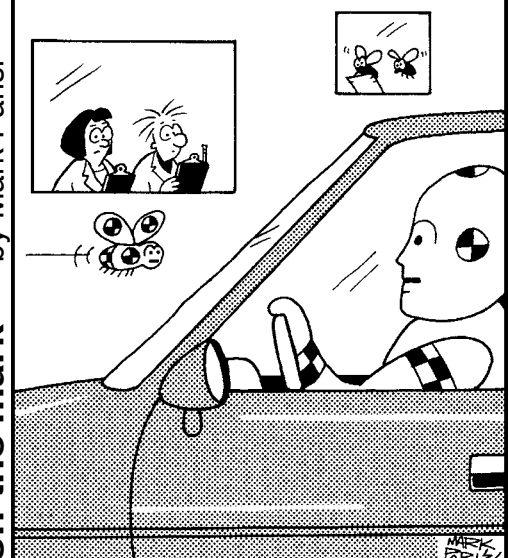
## Today's Word PRICES

### Sudoku Answer

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7	4	6	9	2	5	8	3	1
9	3	2	6	8	1	5	4	7
4	7	9	2	1	8	3	6	5
8	6	1	5	9	3	2	7	4
2	5	3	7	6	4	1	9	8
3	9	7	8	5	2	4	1	6
6	1	8	3	4	9	7	5	2
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